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1. During the second half of 1953, there has been a perceptible increase in partisan and other clandestine activity in Rumania. Since August, units of shock troops have been moving to the Targu Neamt area (north of Bacau) to clean out partisan groups. Some hundreds of peasants have been placed under surveillance on suspicion of harboring, or otherwise aiding, the partisans. There is also a detachment of the Securitatea in the vicinity of Tulcea, which is thought to be specially dangerous. Another Securitatea detachment has been sent from Bacau to Satu-Nou where resistance is particularly active.
2. There is a partisan headquarters in the forests on the Cosminului Mountain in the northern part of Moldavia. These guerrillas are in position to obstruct the passage of Soviet convoys. Other districts with many partisans include the villages of Neculele and Jitia (Buzau Mountains), northeast of Bucharest; and Gurahont, Department of Arad, in the mountainous regions of Transylvania.
3. A state trial is anticipated shortly, to be accompanied by the usual attacks against the Western Powers. The Securitatea is paying special attention to "guilty" individuals among the Western diplomatic missions in Bucharest.

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